

Executive for A & M

11 June 1948

Assistant Director for Operations

Mess Attendant at FBIS Hawaii Bureau

1. In memorandum dated 6 February 1948 to the Director, Central Intelligence from the Assistant Director for Operations (copy attached), request was made that the FBIS Hawaii Bureau Table of Organization be amended to include one Mess Attendant.

2. This request was approved and the position requested was included in the FBIS Table of Organization attached to memorandum dated 29 March 1948 to the Assistant Director for Operations from the Executive for Administration and Management.

3. Subsequently, this Mess Attendant was hired and duly placed on the FBIS payroll. On 9 June 1948, the Chief, FBIS received a message from the Chief, Fiscal Division (copy attached) to be transmitted to the Chief, Hawaii Bureau which stated that the payment of the salary to this attendant was improper inasmuch as the mess was operated on a cooperative basis; that the employees participating in the mess must bear the cost thereof, and directed that the necessary collections be made.

4. This office understands that this action has been taken because this is a cooperative mess and that payment of a Mess Attendant would be permissible if the mess were government operated. If this is the case, permission is requested to organize a government operated mess at the Hawaii Station with the least possible delay. It is further requested that the Chief, FBIS be fully instructed as to the appropriate administrative action to be taken to establish and operate such a mess to insure compliance with all Agency and Government regulations pertaining thereto.

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